

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHANGE OF WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY THE VIRGINIA BOARD FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

ADDENDUM: VGA/VERC CONFERENCE BROCHURE
APRIL 26, 2009 SESSION I -- 12:00 NOON-1:00 PM

Workshop 2: Judy Scheibe - Branch Coordinator of the Fredericksburg Alzheimer's office

Always Remember: There's Still a *Person* with Feelings in There

Even with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, an individual is still a person with *feelings*, until they take their last breath on earth. Just because the disease has robbed them of their previous abilities to walk, talk, and actively take part in all aspects of life, it does not mean they are now only an empty shell waiting to die. There is a *person* with *feelings* in that body and we caregivers must learn to nurture those feelings by putting ourselves in their shoes while on this Alzheimer's journey. I want to explain that caring for an Alzheimer's patient or family member is **not** rocket science, but more golden rule, though the rules are tweaked a little bit.